# FY21 Coastal Resilience **Grant Program**



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# Support for Local and Regional Adaptation

Fiscal Year	State Funding (\$M)		Proposals	
	Requested	Awarded	Received	Awarded
FY14	\$4.8	\$2.0	32	19
FY15	\$5.2	\$2.7	27	17
FY16	\$3.0	\$2.2	22	16
FY17	\$5.0	\$1.8	36	18
FY18	\$5.6	\$2.3	34	16
FY19	\$5.4	\$3.2	31	19
FY20	\$3.3	\$2.4	26	21
Total	~ \$32	~ \$17	208	126

FY21: CZM anticipates similar funding levels as previous years, with applicants able to request up to *\$1 million* 

# Anticipated FY21 RFR Timeline

Milestone	Tentative Timeline
RFR released on CommBuys	April 2020
Q & A: Submit questions in writing; Q & A posted online	+ 2 weeks
Electronic applications due: coastal.resilience@mass.gov	Mid-June
Award announcement	August
Project scoping and contract execution	August – Sept.
Project start: Date of EEA's signature on your contract	September
Project end	June 30, 2021 (FY21)

# Eligibility

#### **Applicants:**

- 78 coastal cities and towns
  - All project types #1-5
  - Local or multi-community (regional) projects
- Nonprofits that own vulnerable coastal property that is open and accessible to the public
  - Project Types #2, 3, and 5

#### **Project Types:**

- Detailed Vulnerability and Risk Assessment
   \*Municipalities must be MVP
  - \*Municipalities must be MVP certified
- 2. Public Education and Communication
- 3. Proactive Planning
- 4. Redesigns and Retrofits
- 5. Shoreline Restoration

### 1. Detailed Risk and Vulnerability Assessments

- Evaluate vulnerable public facilities and infrastructure
- Utilize best available climate projections (e.g. sea level rise and precipitation)

- Targeted vulnerability assessment of low-lying roadways
- Wastewater infrastructure vulnerability assessment to coastal flooding and climate change
- Detailed assessments and public engagement for harbor and adjacent waterfront areas

### 2. Public Education and Communication

- Increase public understanding and awareness of coastal storm and climate impacts
- Build effective partnerships to develop support for implementation of proactive measures

- Creative communication products (e.g. podcasts, story maps, drone videos, stakeholder interviews)
- Reach broader audiences through local and regional partnerships

### 3. Proactive Planning

 Reduce exposure of vulnerable facilities and infrastructure through proactive planning and resilient land-use management

- Assess coastal processes as a basis for identifying and prioritizing management strategies along sections of the shoreline
- Partnering with adjacent communities to develop a comprehensive shoreline management framework

# 4. Redesigns and Retrofits

• Engineering and construction projects to redesign and retrofit vulnerable municipally-owned facilities and infrastructure to withstand flooding and erosion over the design life

- Identifying and prioritizing flood proofing needs at vulnerable pump stations
- Redesigning revetments and seawalls to minimize wave overtopping and account for future sea level rise projections

### 5. Shoreline Restoration

- Evaluate suitability, design, permit and construct and/or monitor non-structural approaches that restore or enhance natural buffers, including:
  - o Beach, berm and dune building
  - Bioengineering for coastal bank stabilization
  - Restoration or enhancement of fringing salt marshes
  - Living "breakwater" construction







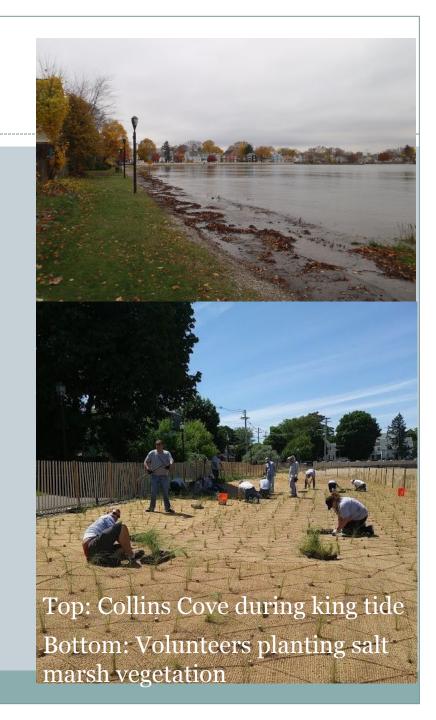
### Recently constructed:



- FY15 Feasibility Assessment (\$75,000)
- FY17 Preliminary Design (\$54,665)
- FY18 Permitting & Final Design (\$55,230)
- FY19 Restoration (\$216,550)

#### Story Map

- Winthrop Coughlin Park
- Duxbury Beach Reservation Dune enhancement
- Mattapoisett Water main crossing relocation



### **Evaluation Criteria**

- Current vulnerability and management approach
- Climate impact and future vulnerability
- Need for assistance
- Detailed project description \*
- Public benefit and interests
- Transferability
- Timeline \*
- Budget \* (Local match of 25% of total project cost *preferred*)
- Project management and partners
- Overall project quality

<sup>\*</sup> Break down by task and fiscal year

# **Application Tips**

- Be realistic about schedule and tasks. Phase complex projects over time:
  - o Planning, feasibility assessment, and siting
  - Design
  - Permitting
  - o Construction, installation, and/or monitoring
- Consider time to secure sub-contractors
- Document rationale for preferred project approach
  - Articulate how the project approach addresses known coastal storm or climate impacts
  - Describe how project builds on previous projects/phases and fits into comprehensive, long term plans
  - Assume reviewers do not have project background
- Consider monitoring and maintenance needs beyond grant

### Resources

CZM StormSmart Coasts Program

#### www.mass.gov/stormsmart-coasts-program

- Coastal Resilience Grant Program
- Grant Viewer
- MA Sea Level Rise and Coastal Flooding Viewer
- StormSmart Property Factsheets
- MA Climate Change Clearinghouse <u>www.resilientma.org</u>
  - Downscaled climate change projections
- MA MyCoast <u>www.mycoast.org/ma</u>
  - Reports and photos of storm impacts

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